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"What transpired between Alyssa and me is a private matter and no one else's concern. She's already

moved on from the past, so please refrain from dredging up old affairs to create a scene," Jasper stated

firmly.

Zoe nearly hissed at that, though fear still quivered in her heart. She couldn't believe that Jasper was still

defending Alyssa.

"Now that Ada has left, you're free to leave if you'd rather not continue with your charade. I'll have

someone send you back home." Jasper turned away and left Zoe standing alone in the hallway.

Next to him, Xavier expressed his disapproval with a tsk before departing with his boss. He couldn't help but wonder if this irate, seemingly immature individual was truly Landon's sister.

She appeared rather unsophisticated.

"Jasper. Jasper! Jasper Beckett!" Zoe screamed.

Jasper only came to a halt when she called his full name.

"You're protecting her because you love her, don't you? She's all you can think about, isn't it?" Zoe

screeched.

"No," he replied without hesitation, as if afraid that acknowledging any deeper emotion would be perilous.

Zoe was nearly in hysterics by now. "Then why do you continue to defend her? She doesn't love you. All

she does is humiliate you! Why do you keep taking her side?"

Zoe lacked the cunning of someone like Liana, who always got what she wanted through manipulation.

Hence, she saw no point in beating around the bush.

But this was the first time in her life that she felt utterly defeated. The more she tried to approach Jasper,

the further he would retreat, widening the chasm between them.

Jasper's gaze turned lethal when he looked at Zoe, sending a shiver of fear through her.

"You have never married another, so I'm sure you wouldn't understand. We were husband and wife once, so even now, I still care for her in some way. There is nothing wrong with that at all."

Zoe recoiled as if she had been struck.

"I don't love her, but she was my wife once. I still have the privilege to say what I want about her, and this

is a privilege no one else possesses."

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